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PATENT APPLICATION  
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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

Attorney Docket No. BSC-081C2

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Title Devices for Minimally Invasive Pelvic Surgery (as amended)

## APPLICATION ELEMENTS

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form2. ☐ Small Entity Status☐ Applicant claims small entity status☐ Status established in prior application and is still proper and desired3. ☒ Specification and Drawings [Total Pages 173]

- Written Description - (76 pages)

- Claims - (20 pages)

- Abstract - (1 page)

- Sheets of Drawings - (76 sheets)

☒ Formal☐ Informal4. ☒ Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 16]a. ☐ Newly executed (original)b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))

(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)

(Note Box 5 below)

5. ☒ Incorporation by Reference (usable if Box 4b is checked)

The entire Disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.

6. ☒ Application Data Sheet7. ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)☐ CD (2 copies) (identical to computer copy)☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies8. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement (when there is an assignee)  
☐ Power of Attorney9. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449☐ Copies of IDS Citations11. ☒ Preliminary Amendment☐ Drawings [Total Sheets ]12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (specifically itemized)13. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) (if foreign priority claimed)14. ☐ Nonpublication Request Under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)15. ☐ CD in duplicate for large table or computer program16. ☒ Other:

i. Copy of Informal Drawings (76 sheets)

17. ☒ If a CONTINUING APPLICATION: Amend the specification by inserting on page 1, before the first line, the sentence: --This is a☒ continuation ☐ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part of prior application Serial No. 10/015,114, filed on November 12, 2001, which is a continuation of application Serial No. 09/023,965, filed on February 13, 1998, now U.S. Pat. No. 6,423,080, which claims the benefit of and priority to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/038,171, filed February 13, 1997, the entire disclosures of which are incorporated by reference herein.--

Priority to the above application(s) is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 120.

Prior application information: Examiner: Jackson, Gary. Group/Art Unit: 3731.

18. ☐ Priority - 35 U.S.C. 119☐ Priority of application Serial No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed on \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.☐ The certified copy has been filed in prior U.S. application Serial No. \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ on \_\_\_\_.☐ The certified copy will follow.

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## METHOD OF PAYMENT

- ☒ Payment Enclosed:  
☒ Check ☐ Money Order ☐ Other
- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to credit or charge any fee indicated below for this submission to Deposit Account No. 20-0531.  
☐ Required Fees (copy of this sheet enclosed).  
☒ Additional fee required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17.  
☒ Overpayment Credit.
- ☐ Applicant claims small entity status.

## FEE CALCULATION

### 1. FILING FEE

#### Large Entity

Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
770	Utility filing fee	770.00
340	Design filing fee	
160	Provisional filing fee	

Number Filed	Number Extra	Rate	Amount
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Total Claims 40 - 20 = 20 x \$ 18.00 = 360.00

Independent Claims 4 - 3 = 1 x \$ 86.00 = 86.00

☐ Multiple Dependent Claim(s), if any \$290.00 =

TOTAL: 1,216.00

SMALL ENTITY DISCOUNT:

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 1,216.00

### 2. AMENDMENT CLAIM FEES

Claims Remaining After Amend.	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Fee Paid
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Total - = x \$ 18.00 =

Indep. - = x \$ 86.00 =

☐ First Presentation of Multiple Dep. Claim + \$290.00 =

TOTAL: (\$)

SMALL ENTITY DISCOUNT: (\$)

SUBTOTAL (2) (\$) (\$)

## FEE CALCULATION (continued)

### 3. ADDITIONAL FEES

Large Entity Fee (\$)	Small Entity Fee (\$)	Fee Description	Fee Paid
130	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
50	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
130	130	Non-English specification	
2,520	2,520	Request for ex parte reexamination	
110	55	Extension for reply within first month	
420	210	Extension for reply within second month	
950	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1480	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
2010	1005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
330	165	Notice of Appeal	
330	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
290	145	Request for oral hearing	
130	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
180	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Statement	
770	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
770	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
100	100	Certificate of Correction for applicant's error	
110	55	Submission of Terminal Disclaimer	
Other fee (Specify)			
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